fancy, \$4a\$4.50. Wheat scarce

irm ; No. 2 red, 86a88c. Corn in lemand ; No. 2 mixed, 45a454c. tronger ; No. 2 mixed, 234a34c.

ST. LOUIS.

Sr. Lours, March 12.—Flour un-changed. Wheat firm; closed 11a14c. below yesterday; No. 2 red, 831a83 ic. cash. Corn higher for cash and March;

at \$1.14. Provisions quiet. Pork-Jobbing, \$12.75. Lard easier at \$6.86

\$6.871. Bulk-meats-Long clear, \$6.30; short ribs, \$6.40; clear, \$6.65.

Bacon quiet; long clear, \$6.75a\$6.80; short ribs, \$6.95a\$7; clear, \$7.15a

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, March 12 .- Flour steady.

Wheat lalic lower early; recovered the decline, but closed lic, under yes-terday; March, 771a78 c.; No. 2 red, 791a80c. Corn firm and closed ic, un-der top prices; cash, 38 a 41 c.; March,

384a39c. Oats early were laic higher; fell back and closed dull; cash, 284a

304c.; March, 284c. Mess-pork irregu-ular; closed steady; cash, \$12.65a \$12.70. Lard in fair demand; cash, \$6.924a\$6.95.; March, \$6.25. Boxed-

meats steady; dry-salted shoulders, \$4.90a\$4.95; short rib. \$6.30a\$6.35; clear. \$6.80a\$6.85. Whiskey firm at

REVIEW OF THE CHICAGO MARKET.

were again unsettled to-day, while the

provision list dragged along heavily and

with marked unsteadiness. As a general thing there was less of a showing

of war news, while private cables indi

cating less probability of war were

rather more plenty. The fluctuations in consols were also within narrower

limits, making the general tone easier.

Wheat opened a little wildly, selling all the way from 831 to 83 c. for May in different parts of the pit. As a happy medium it was officially called 83 c.,

at which figure the bulk changed hands. Later fluctuations were lic., the

Cables were decidedly strong and higher.

Private cables called the probabilities against war, and on this fact there was

free selling. Considerable long wheat was also brought out on the decline.

The close of the morning session was

about steady. Corn was fairly active, and relatively firmer than wheat, though

it received the bulk of its tone from that

market. Few, if any, special features were developed which contined the

fluctuations in leading futures to

41 a41 le. Oats are much neglected

in all respects, except a moderate specu-

lation in seller May, which fluctuated Jo.,

selling sparingly at 32c. Practically no-

thing is done in cash. Provisions were a shade higher at the opening, but in no

case advanced over the early quotations.

disposition to enter into speculation by

either faction. This made the fluctus-

tions confine themselves to narrow

limits. The close of the morning sea-

sion, though heavy, was at a shade ad-

MILWAUKEE.

higher. Wheat firm: No. 2. cash, 77 c.; March, 76 c.. Corn inactive;

white, 314a324c. Provisions easier. Mess-pork, \$12.70 cash and March.

Lard firm; steam, \$6.95 cash and

WILMINGTON.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 12 .-

Turpentine quiet at 28c. Rosin steady;

strained, 921c.; good. 971c. Tar steady; at \$4.10. Crude turpentine steady;

hard. \$1.15; yellow-lip and virgio,

COTTON MARKETS.

March. Hogs lower at \$4.30.

MILWAUKEE, March 12 .- Flour

3, 40a401c. Outs firm; No. 2

vance over the lowest quotations.

course being irregularly

CHICAGO, March 12 .- Leading grains

\$1.15. Sugars unchanged.

\$7.20.

and slow at 31c. cash. Whiskey ste

FACT, NEWS, AND GOSSIP. Virginians and the Pederal Offices

News Items.

From Our Regular Correspondent WASHINGTON, March 12 .- In addition to the Virginians already named by me as being here the following are among the last arrivals: Judge Grimsly, of Culpeper; John K. Childrey, H. B. Taliaferro, John A. Curtis, George A. Ainslie, and John M. Higgins, of Richmond ; John Neely, of Norfolk; C. C. Taliaferro, of Prince Edward; Colonel W. R. Aylett, of King William, and Edgar Snowden, of Alexandria. There are several prominent Petersburgers here who are working for a Petersburg successor to Collector Brady. Virginia Representabut few moments they can call their own except when they go into conference with closed doors. Colonel H. E. Peyton and Major Tyler, of Lou-doun, are here. Hon. John Randolph Tucker has returned.

VIRGINIA AND THE FEDERAL OFFICES.

I know Virginians have become satisfied, after an interview with the Postmaster-General, that no one from their State will be appointed an Assistant Postmaster-General, nor do I hear of any Virginian who is applying for a first-class appointment, unle ss Solicitor General ranks as such. Mr. Neeley, I hear, would not object to being United States District Attorney for the Eastern district of Virginia. Judge John T Goolrick, of Fredericksburg, is backed by the Virginia delegation for an appointment. A number of leading Democity to-day protesting against the appointment of Mr. C. Boyd Barrett, now of Dakota, to office. They say that when a resident of their county short time ago he was a most active opponent of the Democratic party. Th report is that the Virginia del will arge the appointment of Colonel Robert Beverley as Commissioner of Agriculture. He has strength outside of the State.

A FIRE AT ST. DOMINICK'S. There was a fire this morning at "St. Dominick's" church, on Sixth street,

in south Washington, and a great deal of damage was done to the building, especially the rear, where the fire origi nated. This was one of the finest churches in Washington, and the Catho lies were many years in building it. Father Revilee, who fell a victim to yellow-fever at Memphis, was an elo quent preacher at "St. Dominick's." and made an able reply to Ingersoll' lecture. It was only the other day that the members finished paying for it. This church cost \$250,000; insurance,

PERSONAL NEWS ITEMS.

Mr. Parker, who used to be at the Richmond Theatre, and who is now agent for Boucicault, was in the city today. Judge Buckner, of Missouri, is being urged for Commissioner of Internal Revenue. The United States marshalship of the District of Columbia seems very much in demand. There were few representatives at the Capitol to-day. Republicans declare that there were seventy anxious-looking western Democrats at Senator Voorhees's committee-room. That was an exagge ration. The visitors in the Senate gallery looked as it they only wanted comfortable seats or were waiting to see senators. Republicans report that Secretary Bayard has informed the employes of the State Department that there will be no removals except for inefficiency. Democrats shake their heads and smile when told of it. I heard a southern Democrat call attention to the fact to-day that the South was either represented in the departments by northern men or by southerners not in sympathy either with the Democratic party or the people of the South. He but repeated that you hear every day. General Walthall, the new Mississippi senator, is a very fine-looking man. He was in his seat to-day.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

Government receipts to-day: Inter-nal revenue, \$316,166; customs, \$526,-

The President to-day designated Assistant-Secretary Coon to act as Secre tary of the Treasury, in the absence of Secretary Manning, until otherwise or-dered. This has no significance. The President to-day designated

Marcellus Gardner to represent the Interior Department in the Executive Board of the New Orleans Exposition. Cabinet meetings will hereafter be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All the members of the Cabinet were present promptly to-day. The Oklahoma question was considered. It seems that a change of administration, in the

President Arthur's proclamation. Great pressure is being brought in favor of Phil. Thompson for Commis-sioner of Internal Revenue. The refavor of Phil. Thompson for Con port is that Mr. Randall says the appointment should not come from Kentucky, because it is so largely interin the manufacture of whiskey, and that his opinion has much weight

judgment of "the boomers," annulled

with Secretary Manning. The Democrats do not propose to allow chief clerks, heads of bureaus, &c., to keep carriages at the expense of the

Gevernment. A Missourian said that he went to Sepator Vest's house early yesterday morning, thinking if George was not up he would wait and see him, as he did not want an office. He added, "By the eternal, I saw one Missourian on the steps waiting and another ringing the bell, and I left without seeing George.

Senators Gibson, Brown, Ransom. Gorman, Blackburn, and McPherson. Representative Cox. of North Carolina, General Sheridan, and General William Preston were among those at the White House to-day.

There was again disappointment be cause the President sent in no more nominations, Visitors had to be content with another railroad resolution of Senator Van Wyck.

There is a great falling off in the number of visitors to the White House and the departments.

The Virginia coupon cases set for Monday are near the foot of the docket

for that day. Extra Session of the Senate. (By telegraph to the D

WASHINGTON, March 12.-Senator Manderson offered a resolution, which he asked might be printed and lie upon the table. It calls upon the Secretary of State for such information as that Department may have regarding the rumored attempt of General Ruffino Barrios, President of Guatemala, to

Barrios, President of Guatemaia, to seize upon the territory or destroy the integrity of the republics of Nicaragua, Honduras, San Salvador, and Costa Rica, and to report what steps were being taken by the Government to preserve the rights of the United States under the existing or pending treaties.

Senator George presented the credentials of G. Weithelt as United States.

Lamar, resigned. Mr. Walthall was es-corted to the President's deak by Sena-tor George and took the oath of office. Mr. Van Wyck called up his resolution offered yesterday directing the Sec-retary of the Interior and Attorney-General to take steps to prevent the sale of lands granted to the State of Beverley -Fire is a Church - Personal - Belef Florica to aid in the construction of rail-

roads in that State The discussion of this resolution of cupied all of the time of to-day's session, and it was still pending at adjournment.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

The Democratic Minorities of the Senate Committees-At the White House-Cabinet

Meeting. (By telegraph to the Disp WASHINGTON, March 12 .- The De mocratic senators completed their re-organization of the minorities of the Senate committees this afternoon. Their list was given to the chairman of the Republican Caucus Committee to be presented to the Senate to-morrow. principal changes have already been

A written message from the Presi dent was sent to the Capitol this after-noon for the purpose of withdrawing from the Senate the Nicaraguan canal treaty and the Spanish reciprocity treaty, in order that they may be examined and considered by the new Administration. The Senate had adjourn ed, however, before the message reached

its destination.

It was comparatively quiet at the White House to-day, and there was a decided falling off in the number of callers. Among those who saw the President before noon were Senators Brown, Ransom, Pike, Gorman, Mc-Pherson, Plumb, Blackburn, and Gibson: Representatives Ermentrout, Mills, Hurd, Cox of North Carolina, McCreary, Springer, Anderson, Eaton, and Lefevre; General Sheridan, General William Preston, General McKee Dunn, Samuel F. Cary of Ohio, John Spaulding of Boston, and Colonel James E. Berrett. Many persons who called to pay their respects were informed that owing to the Cabinet meeting the Presi-dent would not be able to receive them

The President has made a change in the days of holding Cabinet-meetings, so that hereafter they will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week nstead of Tuesdays and Fridays, as heretofore.

to-day under this arrangement. All the members were in attendance. It is understood that the session was de roted to considering the general policy to be observed by the Administration in the matter of appointments and the situation of affairs in Oklahoma.

The President to-day designated Assistant-Secretary Coon to perform the duties of Secretary of the Treasury in the absence of Secretary Manning "un til otherwise ordered," Secretary Manning being in attendance at the Cabinet meeting to-day. Mr. Coon accordingly acted as Secretary in his stead. It i said that this designation has no special significance and that it is done merely as a matter of convenience.

The President to-day designated Marcellus Gardner to represent the In-terior Department in the Executive Board at the New Orleans Exposition, rice Benjamin Butterworth, resigned.

BARRIOS'S REPUBLIC.

Besistance to the Consolidation of the Central American States.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] LIBERTAD, SAN SALVADOR, VIA of March President Barrios, of Guatemaia, declared in the Assembly of that country that Central America should constitute one republic, and at the same time he made public announcement that he would assume the command of all military forces of the various States. this afternoon. The regular engineer The declaration was accepted by Houduras, but was rejected by San Salva-dor, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica. The forces of Guatemala began immediately to march against San Salvador. The people of the latter republic rose as one man to resist the invasion, and yesterday Guatemala ceased hostilities. President Barrios, however, sent a request to President Zaldivar, of San Salvador, that the latter country should appoint two commissioners, who should proceed to Guatemala with power to treat in the present crisis. Whether this request will receive any attention has not yet become known. Meanwhile President Zaldivar had telegraphed an account of the situation to General Diaz, President of Mexico, and had asked him to use his influence to prevent bloodshed. In answer to this General Diaz sent the following teleeram to President Zaldivar :

"Your telegram of the 7th instant is understood. I have taken the neces sary precautions against any contin-gency that may arise. I have telegraphed to President Barrios as follows: Your telegram of the 7th instant announcing your determination to declare Central America one republic. and to assume yourself command of all the forces thereof, has been received. This declaration has been made by your Assembly only, and has been rejected energetically by your six ter republics. These circumstances have created such antipathy to your course among the Mexican citizens that my Government will be obliged to take immediate action to prevent the execution of your threat against sister na-

tionalities of this continent.' The people of San Salvador are er thusiastic in their determination to preserve their independence. The patriotic feeling now runs so high that President Zaldivar bas extreme difficulty in re-

straining his troops. SAN JUAN DEL SUR, NICARAGUA, VIA GALVESTON, March 12. - Active | had war preparations are being made throughout the country. The Government has now several thousand men ready to send to the frontier. Strenuous efforts to resist Barrios are being made in Costa Rica, and a large numer of soldiers are ready to move at short notice. Great enthusiasm is manifest, and confidence in the final result is displayed. It is thought very probable in some quarters that Guatemala will consider the matter before attempting coercive measures, and that a friendly solution of the difficult problem of uniting the five States may be ar-

From the Soudan.
[18] cable to the Dispatch.]
SUAKIM, March 12.—El Mahdi's men last night attacked the ordnance enclosure of the garrison, and killed two sentries belonging to the Berkshire regiment and wounded three others. During this engagement in the dark one of the attacking party was killed and several wounded. During the night hostile Arabs also surprised the Shropshire Infantry regiment patrol, killing one man and wounding one. One man belonging to this patrol is missing since last night's engagements.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12 .- In the

THE RAILROAD STRIKES Reports from Various Points as to the Con

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] ST. LOUIS, March 12 .- The Missouri Pacific shopmen held a meeting last night and formally decided, in view of the action of the company in restoring wages, that they would not strike. Everything is quiet about the railroad shops here this morning. The men are all at work and seem to be entirely satisfied with the action of the company yesterday in restoring their wages. The strikers at Hannibal, Mo., hav

been joined by the section-men and some of the wood-workers, and now number about seventy-five. freight trains are allowed to move the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, but passenger trains are undis-turbed. General business is suffering. and a good deal of discontent is become ing manifest among the laborers in the lumber-yard who had their wages reduced recently.

A special from Atchison, Kansas, Passenger and mail trains are all right, but freight trains are entirely abandoned. Hundreds of loaded car are on side tracks and in the yards No attempt is made to move freight. Office clerks are idle and some have been laid off. The strikers will not accept a compromise. The suggestion is made by the Governor that the Railroad Commissioners send a committee to St. Louis to confer with Messrs. Hoxie and Hays if the strikers at Se

dalia and Parsons will do the same.

A special from Moberly says: conference between a committee of the strikers and the managers of the Missouri Car Company, lessees of the Wabash shops, has been held. managers stated to the men that if they would resume work at the cut rate their wages would be at once increased according to their worth. This proposition was rejected by the committee, who said the men would not go to work until an arrangement wa made that was satisfactory the workmen all along the line. is not unlikely that the contract be tween the Wabash company and the essees of the shops here will be cancelled if the managers do not commence work in a very few days. Quite a num ber of workmen here are making ar rangements to move to other places where employment may be had.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 12 .- A special says: "The air is filled with all sorts of wild rumors. The strikers claim that a compromise has been offered by Governor Brown, representing the railroad company, to restore the old wages of last October with a possible increase. Governor Brown denies the statement, and says the railroad company will not negotiate with the strikers, because they are not law-abiding, honest citizens, and the railroad company could not

treat with them under any circum Stances. A strike at Pleasant Hil Mo., commenced this morning, and the shops and yards are in possession of mob. Trouble is feared there. The militia are still at Centretown, fifteen miles west of here, waiting orders." United States Marshal Conzins, of this city, reached Hannibal, Mo., this

morning with a strong force of depu ties to protect the Wabash railroad property. Train-Master Ritchie also bringing four engines from Springfield to move about 100 loaded cars held by the strikers. They were met by strikers, who refused to allow engines to go to the Missouri. Kansas and Texas yards for cars Two of the leaders were ar-GALVESTON, March 12 .- On the 5th rested. The locomotives they permitted to pass, but the engineers refused to run their engines without permission from the strikers. Police man Ledford then boarded one of th locomotives, ran it to the yards, and got out one train, which started east finally concluded to run their engines. and work progressed. The strikers ar very indignant at Policeman Ledford.

SEDALIA, Mo., March 12 .- There i no change in the condition of affair The streets of the city are as quiet as on Sunday, and scarcely any business is being done. Adjutant-General Jameson is here again, and with the police force, is endeavoring to move freight trains. Five attempts were made, and each time the strikers requested the engineers not to mov eir engines, and the request was complied with.

THE MINERS' STRIKE. PITTSBURGH, PA., March 12 .-There is no special features in the miners strike to-day, except the Castle Shanno forces joining in the demand for three cents. The operators assert that the extent of the strike is greatly exaggerated, and that fully two thirds of the river mines are still in operation. There is no indication of weakening on the other

ducted quietly, and no fears of trouble are entertained.

ide. Thus far the strike has been con

The British Cabinet in Council. LONDON, March 12 .- The Cabine net at noon to-day. The unusually early hour at which the ministers con vened at once attracted attention, and reports quickly spread that a crisis was peing considered. The interest in the meeting soon became general and inense. This was warranted by several incidents which preceded and at tended the Council. Immediately before the conference Colonel George A. Maude, Equerry-in-Chief to the Queen, called upon Mr. Gladstone and had a long interview with him. Among the rumors to which this gave rise was one to the effect that her Majesty had been advised that the Indian situation was grave, and required vigorous and decisive action, and that the rather urgently insisted her Government doing something This and similar stories ed a large crowd to Downing street, and before the Cabinet had been long in session the Prime Minister's official residence was surrounded by a large crowd. It is not publicly known what the ministers have done at to-day' meeting. It is reported, however, that they decided to address a serious representation to the Russian Government. that if through any Russian advance in Aighanistan a conflict results with the Ameer's troops Russia must accept the consequences, as England is bound to guard the Afghan territory.

North Carolina Negroes Going

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.] BALEIGH, March 12 .- Some time are many negroes from Anson county in bodies for Arkansas. News been received here to the effect that the negroes in Buncombe county are having weekly meetings to consider the question of emigrating to Liberia. Qu number, embracing some of our initueutial colored citizens, have consented to go, and indeed are leading the movement. It is said that quite an exodus of this population will take e) on land in Africa.

(By casile to the Disputch.)

I DNLON, March 12.—The Lot treing Nows states this afternoon that has learned that remonstrances from the highest quarters have been address-

ed to the Czar of Russia in the inte of peace and have met with such a chill-ing response that slight hopes are now entertained that hostilities between England and Russia can be averted.

The Afghan Question in Parliament.
[By cable to the Dispatch.]

LONDON. March 12.—In the House of Commons this afternoon Mr. Glad-stone, on being interrogated regarding the Russo-Afghan frontier difficulty, said that England's relations with Russia in consequence of the latter's re-ported encroachments on Afghan territory had not been improved during the past several days. Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, Under Foreign Secretary, stated that the Russians have not occupied Robat Pass.

In response to continued queries the Under Secterary said it was not desira-ble on the part of the Government to make public any further information. Robert Bourke, ex-Under Foreign Secretary (Conservative), asked the Government how much longer England would be left without an ambassador at Constantinople.

Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice replied that Sir Edward Thornton would proceed as ambassador to Constantinople when the conditions of the public service would permit. Sir Stafford Northcote, Conervative leader, asked whether or not the Government was able to say anything with regard to the Russian ad vance in Afghanistan. Sir Stafford, in propounding this question, took advan-tage of the occasion to refute the widespread impression that the Government had taken unusual steps to communicate with the opposition leaders upon

Afghan occurrences.

Mr. Gladstone replied that he was unable to impart anything that would substantially improve the information already possessed by the House. He could only assure the House that the Afghan question had the constant and unfailing attention of the Government. Sir Henry Whately Tyler, Conservative member from Harwich, announced that he had received a dispatch stating that Kassala had fallen into the hands of El Mahdi, and asked the Government if that news was true.

Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice replied

that he knew nothing about Kassala having fallen.

New Trial Refused.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] CHICAGO, March 12.—In the United States Circuit Court, after hearing elaborate arguments for a new trial in the case of Joseph C. Mackin and William Gallagher, who were found guilty in the Eighteenth-Ward election-fraud case, Judge Blodgett denied the motion for a new trial. He then ordered the prisoners to stand before the bar, and formally sentenced each to two years' imprisonment in Joliet, and also imposed a fine of \$5,000 on each. He then ordered them into the custody of the United States marshal, and deferred the date of their removal to Joliet for ten days. Gleason's case was not disposed of, as Leonard Swett wishes to present

some arguments to the court. The Court refused to accept bail, and the prisoners were taken in charge by the United States marshal, who, when the proper papers were made out, took them to the county jail, where they were confined. Papers praying for a review the case by Judge Gresham will probably be drawn up and presented in ourt to-morrow, and the prisoners will then, doubtless, be admitted to bail again. The review taken by Judge Gresham is thought to be the last step that can be taken in the case, and if I declines to interfere in the verdict the prisoners will be taken at once to the penitentiary.

Six Rallots Yesterday

By telegraph to the Dispa SPRINGFIELD, ILL., March 12 -- In the joint convention of the Legislature to-day both parties voted, with the following result: Morrison, 99; Logan, 99, McMillan (Republican) voted for Nelson E. Blake, of Chicago, Mulhearn (Democrat) voted for Ward, Sittig (Republican) voted for Washburn, and Streeter (Democrat) voted for Black. The second ballot was the same, except that Haines declined to vote, and Mor-

rison received one less.
On the third ballot McMillan voted for Logan, thus making the vote stand-Logan, 100; Morrison, 98; Black, 1; Washburn, 1; and Ward I. Haines did not vote.

The fourth ballot was the same as the third except that Haines increased Morrison's vote 1. The fifth ballo the same. On the sixth ballot McMillan changed to Black, that being the only change, and there was no election. The convention then adjourned.

Medical Inspection of Pensioners Oc-

dered. (By cable to the Dispatch.) Loxuox March 12 -The Government has ordered the naval and military pensioners at the Portsmouth dockyard to be in readiness for medical in-spection. This is the first time such an inspection has been ordered since the Crimean war. There is a report to the effect that the Channel fleet has been ordered to proceed to the Mediterra-.can.

General Grant's Condition

[By telegraph to the Disputch.] NEW YORK, March 12.—To-day it ras stated that General Grant appeared much refreshed upon awakening from a sound sleep late in the forenoon, and partook heartily of nourishment in liquid form. He has been en-tirely free from pain for four days and is now able to walk up and down stairs at will. He remains most of the time in his dressing-room and occasionally writes an hour or longer on his reminiscences.

Fatal Boiler-Lapiesion. (By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

MIDDLETOWN, PA., March 12 .-The boiler in the blacksmith-shop o the American Tube and Iron Compa y's mills exploded this afternoon, de nolishing the entire building and injuring a number of employes. The cause of the explosion is not known Melhorne, the engineer, is supposed to he fatally injured. He says the glass gauge showed a plenty of water in the

A Cool Reception Promised.

DUBLIN, March 12 -The United lectond, Parnell's Irish organ, says that the leaders persist in forcing the Prince of Wales to go where he wanted his Royal Highness will have from the Irish people a reception as cool as ice and just as freezing. Canadian Volunteers Accepted.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.) GTTAWA, UNT., March 12.—The overnor-General to-day received a cablegram from the Imperial authorities accepting offers of Canadian volunteers for service in the Soudan or elsewhere.

Jailed for Selling Forbidden Litera-CHARLESTON, S. C., March 12 .-B. Doschen, news agent here, was sent to jail to-day for selling the Police Ga-

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

New YORK, March 12.—Von Gundell
d Mayholf, cotton-brokers, have failed.
The house is an old-established one, and was operating on the "bull" side.

REPUDIATING THE MAHDI.

sedune who Say He is a Sham - The A London special says: A dispatch from Suakim says that the Mohammedan native troops from India who are now assembled there unanimously repudiate El Mahdi. They say that hisn't even a Moslem, and they are dis gusted with his pretensions to be considered the successor of the Prophet. They believe him to be immensely elated with the idea of a war between England and Russia on the frontiers of India, but they state that in the event of such a war being declared every native regiment in India could be doubled or trebled by volunteers determined to

resist Russian invasion to the death. The Indian native soldiers of the Sikhs regiment were in their first engagement on Egyptian soil yesterday A party of Osman Digna's Arabs madan attack on one of the British outposts in the neighborhood of Suakim, and the Sikhs were sent into the open field to repel the attack. They were splendidly handled, and they showed admirable coolness and steadiness. The skirmish was hot while it lasted, but the Arabs were soon repulsed, and many of their dead were left upon the field. The casualties among the Indian troops were few and unimportant. The Arabs became panic-stricken when they saw the swarthy Mohammedans from India facing them in 'rue British style, and delivering their fire with such precision as to make almost every shot tell.

The native press in India, with scarcely au exception, expresses lovalty toward England and confidence in the wisdom and firmness of Lord Dufferin. the British Viceroy of India. There are many expressions of anger and bit ter hostility against Russia. Preparations for the transportation of troops to the frontier are actively progressing The railroads are already well equipped for moving large bodies of troops and supplies, and horses are being collected at Bombay, Calcutta, and other points for cavalry and transportation uses All that India asks of England in the event of war being declared is a re-inforcement of about 15,000 skilled and inured soldiers.

INDIAN LOYALTY TO ENGLAND.

Recruiting is in active progress in India to supply the reserves and make up for the drain caused by members of the reserve force being drafted into regi ments for active service. The Govern ment does not propose any immediate increase in the Indian troops of the Isne but proposes to raise thirty thousand additional native troops for garrison duty in India. The native press is unanimously clamorous for war with Russia. The Russians are hurryling the completion of the railway from Kizil Arvat to Askabad. The line o this road skirts the mountain chain of Kopet Dagh, which separates Turkes tan from Persia, and affords an opportunity to get to Herat without any great engineering difficulties by going acros the northeastern corner of Persia.

A Successful Cast.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, March 12.—The color al statue in bronze of Colonel Wadley, late president of the Georgia Central railroad, was east this afternoon successfully at the Henry-Bonnard Company's works. The statue wil weigh over 4,000 pounds, and was paid for by subscriptions by the employees of Wadley's road. It will be erected in Macon, Ga.

LATE WEATHER REPORT.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13-1:30 A. M .- For the Middle Atlantic States, local snows in early morning, turning into rain, followed toward ereuing by fair weather, except in extreme northern portion, where fair weather will precail, northeasterly winds, beweather during the morning, followed by slowly vising temperature in north ern portion, colder weather in southers portion, falling barometer in northern portion, rising barometer in souther

the South Atlantic States partly cloudy weather, local rains, generally colder, rising barometer, winds becoming rariable.

The Weather in Richmond Yesterday was cloudy with slight fall of rain. Range of Thermometer Yesterday.

Stated Lord Hartington Moved.

There was, writes a member of Parliament, a historic and unprecedented incident in the House of Commons last night. The Marquis of Hartington, in reading out the telegram announcing the death of General Stewart, paused awkwardly several times, and in the end his voice became so husky that he could not be heard. The Marquis of Hartington has now been nearly thirty years in the House of Commons, at this is the first instance on which his marvellous stolidity has given way. Everybody will think the better of him that on this occasion nature her custom held.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, March 12,-Stock spece lators show a disposition to wait for further developments. The belief is growing that the market should have reaction before making any further material advances, and there is also a disposition to wait definite war news. Eu ropean news received in Wall street today was of a more pacific character. At the opening of the Board prices were somewhat irregular, but the majority of the active list showed a decline of latand during the morning there were further fractional declines, when in many cases the lowest prices of the day were made. After a slight rally the market became ste and so continued until the publica tion of a report crediting President Keep, of the Northwestern Railway Company, with the statement that the next Omaha dividend would not be paid. This was followed by a break in Omahas. Grangers sympathized in the decline The story was subsequently denied and a slight recovery took place. This was followed by renewed weakness, especially in St. Paul, which was affected by rumors regarding the next dividend. The whole list closed weak and la2 below yesterday. St. Paul, Lackawanpa, and Northwestern show the greatest decline, others being small fractions.

Sales, 249,000 shares. Noon.—Stocks quiet. Money, 1 per cent. Exchange—Long, 483; ; short, Governments steady.

Evening .- Exchange, 4831. Money, 14al per cent. Sub-Treasury balances-Gold. \$145,552; currency. \$24.886. Governments dull; 4 per cents, 1221; 3 per cents, 1011 bid. State bonds

Alabama-Class A, 2 to 5. B, 5's, sm'll. Georgia 6's ... Georgia 7's, mortgage . North Carolina's .. North Carolina's, new .. North Carolina funding .. South Carolina Brown con ... Tennessee 6's..... (bid) Virginia 6's. Virginia consols. Chesapeake and Ohio. Chicago and Northwestern Chicago and Northwestern p'f'd., 129 Denver and Rio Grande . . . East Tennessee Railroad Lake Shore..... Louisville and Nashville. Memphis and Charleston .. Mobile and Ohio ..... Nashville and Chattanooga New Orleans Pacific 1st mort. . . . New York Central...... Norfolk and Western pref...... Parific Mail ..... Reading .... Richmond and Alleghany ...... Richmond and Danville .. Rich, and West Point Terminal Rock Island..... St. Paul. St. Paul preferred...... Texas Pacific..... Union Pacific ... Wabash Pacific. . . Wabash Pacific preferred, ...... Western Union .. BALTIMORE. BALTIMORE, March 12 .- Virginia 6's, past-due coupons, 54; new 10-40's,

35: new 3's, 524. Bid to-day.

FOREIGN STOCK-MARKETS. LONDON, March 12 .- Stocks opened very flat, with a general decline. market improved during the afternoon,

owing partly to the favorable returns by the Bank of England, but relapsed sales at 31a34c, per pound for good to somewhat at the finish, although the prime. Receipts light for some days by the Bank of England, but relapsed closing quotations were as a rule above the lowest figures of the day. Russian securities declined 14. American and Canadian railway securities were steady even strong. The fortnightly settlement was concluded satisfactorily, and no failures were reported. The Paris Bourse was agitated, but an improvement was shown at the close. In Ber lin a gloomy feeling prevailed, Russian

stocks suffering the most. In Vienna the market was weak, and there was a general decline in prices. 6 P. M .- On rumors that Germany has offered her services as mediator in

and England stocks have recovered.

the Afghan dispute between Russia

RICHMOND STOCK EXCHANGE. THURSDAY, March 12, 1885. SALES. -2,500 Virginia new 3's at 521, 1,000 do, at 521; 300 Richmond City 5's at 1044; 300 Richmond City 6's at 1131; 25 shares Atlanta and

Charlotte stock at 681, 20 do. at 681. STATE SECURITIES. Bid. Asked. Virginia 10-40's..... 34 Virginia consols..... Virginia peelers..... North Carolina 4's.,.... North Carolina 6's ...... 110; 1114 CITY BONDS. 132 Richmond city 8's. .113 Richmond city 6's ...... Richmond city 5's .....

RAILEGAD BONDS.

Cel. & Greenville 1st 6's., 964 Col. & Green, 2d 6's ...... 731 Va. Midland income 6's .... Petersburg Class A, 5's,.... 94; Pet. Class B, 6's, ..... R., Y. R. and Ches. 8's .... R. and D. con. 6's, 1885 .... 102 R. and D. con. 6's, 1890 .... 164 105 R. and D. gold 6's ...... 100 R. and D. debentures .... R. and Alle, 1st mort. 7's. 571 Atlanta and Charlotte 7's., 1104 A. and C. inc, 6's ..... C., C. and A. 1st mort. 7's, 1064 C., C. and A. 2d 7's......... 944 Western N. Carolina 7's...108 Western N. Carolina 6's .... 791 Georgia Pacific 1st 6's ..... 951 BAILROAD STOCKS. Par. R., F. & P. common .... 100 R., F. & P. div. scrip ... 100 R., F. & P. 6 p. c. guar. 100 115

R., F. & P.7 p. c. guar.. 100 130 Rich. & Petersburg.... 100 80 Petersburg Railroad .... 100 28 Char., Col. & Augusta. 100 Atlanta & Charlotte .... 100 BANKS. First National. State Bank of Va..... 100 Pet'b'g Sav. and In. Co. 20 INSURANCE COMPANIES. Virginia Home ...... 25 18

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE. RICHMOND, March 12, 1885. OFFERINGS. WHEAT.-Red, 2,866 bushels. CORN.-White, 1,850 bushels. Mix-

d. 1.000 bushels. OATS .- 3,100 bushels. ORCHARD-GRASS SEED .- 170 bush-SALES REPORTED TO SECRETARY.

WHEAT .- Bed, 500 bushels prime ongberry at 98c. -White, 50 bushels very good rginia at 53c. OATS .- White, 100 bushels od on private torms,

TOBACCO MARKETS.

RICHMOND TOBACCO MARKET. RICHMOND, March 12, 1885.

The market was steady to-day and without special feature. Breaks are increasing, and inspection of dark tobaccos show no improvement. Really black working grades are very scarce. firm at \$13.25. Lard easier at \$6.94e \$7. Bulk-meats unchanged. Heres easier; shoulders, \$5.75; short rib. easier: shoulders, \$5.75; short rib, \$7.25; clear, \$7.624. Whiskey steady at \$1.13, "sugar unchanged. Hogs steady; common and light, \$3.85a\$5; packing and butchers", \$4.60a25, 25.

DARK TOBACCO. Lugs : Common, \$4.50a\$5.50; good

\$6a\$7. Leaf: Common, \$7.50a\$8.50; good \$9a\$10; fine, \$11a\$12. SUN-CURED. Lugs: Common, \$5a\$6; sound,

\$6.50a\$8. Leaf: Common, \$8a\$9; medium, \$9.50a\$11; good, \$11.50a\$16; fine \$20a BRIGHT TOBACCO-MANUFACTURING.

Smokers: Common, \$10a\$13; good, \$14a\$17; fine, \$20a\$27.50. Fillers : Common red, \$7a\$8; good colory, \$9a\$11; good bright, \$12a\$13; very good to fine. \$15a\$20.

Wrappers: Common, \$13a\$16; good medium. \$17a\$20; good to very good mahogany. \$22.50a\$30; good bright, \$32.50a\$37.50; very good bright to fine,

\$40a\$55. LOOSE TOBACCO. Primings, 12a3c.; common lugs, 4a 4ic.: fair to good lugs. 4ia5c.; good to very good lugs. 5ia5ic.; common leaf. 5ia6ic.; fair to good leaf. 6ia 7ic.; good to very good leaf. 7ia9c.; fine, 94a104c.; wrappers and fine stem-ming leaf, 11a154c.

DANVILLE TOBACCO MARKET.

[Reported for the Dispatch.] Marcu 10 .- Receipts rather heavier grades at good prices, and old tobacco is still wanted. Lugs, common dark, \$4a\$5; good. \$5a\$7; smokers, common bright, \$6a\$8; medium, \$8a\$11; good, \$11a \$14; fine and fancy, \$15a\$25; leaf, common dark, \$4.50a\$6; medium, \$6a \$9; good, \$9a\$15; fine, \$15a\$20; red and dark, waxy mahogany wrappers, \$18a835; bright leaf, common, \$7a\$10; medium, \$10a\$15; good, \$15a\$18; fine, \$18a\$22; bright wrappers, common \$15a20 ; medium, \$20a\$35 ; good, \$35a \$50 : fine and fancy, \$50a\$65.

NEW YORK TORACCO MARKET MARCH 10 .- For western leaf the market is quiet, the sales of small lots; prices are held firmly for desirable stock. For seed leaf a very regular market, with more demand. 100 hogsheads Kentucky leaf at 8a 16c. J. S. Gans's Sons & Co. report sales of 200 cases 1883 Pennsylvania on private terms: 100 cases 1883 State Havana at 17c.; 150 cases sundries at 5a28.: 200 bales Havana at 80c.a \$1.15; 100 bales Sumatra at \$1.30a \$1.60. - Journal of Commerce. PETERSBURG TOBACCO MARKET.

[Reported for the Disputch.]

MARCH 11 .- Our tobacco market has been very active this week, and prices are satisfactory. The market losed to-day with an unward tendency. thing is The offerings continue small, however, on account of unfavorable weather for handling. Sales: Good to fine The general tone of the market was one leaf. \$13a\$15.25; medium leaf. \$9a of more or less heaviness, with no great \$10: short leaf, \$8a\$9; good lugs, \$6a\$7.50; common lugs, \$5a\$5.50; primings, 82a84.

PEANUT MARKETS

NEW YORK PEANUT MARKET. MARCH 10 .- Peanuts have a mode rate sale. Quotations are: 44a5c. for extra and fancy hand-picked; farmers' grades at 31a3 c .- Journal of Com-

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET. [Reported for the Dispatch.] MARCH 11 .- Market quiet, with

past. NORFOLK PEANUT MARKET. NORFOLK, March 11 .- Best handpicked, 4 a 4 c. per pound ; extra hand-

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW YORK IRON MARKET.

quiet throughout, and without impor

semer pig on private terms. The quo-

tations are: American pig-No. 1 at

\$18a\$18.50; No. 2 at \$17; forge at \$15.50a\$16. Scotch pig at \$19a\$20 for

Hengarnock, \$21.50a\$21.75 for Colt-

ss \$18.50 for Eglinton, and \$20.50

for Summerlee; \$20.50 for Gartscherrie.

American steel rails at \$27 at mills;

old rails at \$17a\$17.50. Wrought scrap

NEW YORK SUMAU MARKET.

\$47.50a\$50 for Virginia, and \$85a\$90

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, March 12 .- Cotton

weak; sales, 45 bales; uplands,

11 3-16c.; Orleans, 11 7-16c.; consoli-

dated net receipts, 5,175 bales; ex-

ports-to Great Britain, 13,452 bales ;

to the continent, 4,048 bales. South-

ern flour steady. Wheat-Spot a shade

stronger, closing easy; ungraded red, 64a93c.; No. 2 red, March, 90[a91]c.

Corn-Spot a trifle higher; ungraded, 50a52c.; No. 2, 514a514c.; March,

51 a51 ac. Oats a shade lower; No. 2.

381a38 c. Hops rather weak. Cof-

refined quiet and rather weak.

fee-Spot fair; Rio. \$8.624; No. ;7

lasses dull and weak. Rice steady

Cotton-seed oil, 34a36c for crude;

404c. for refined. Rosin quiet. Tur-

pentine steady at 31c. Hides firm. Wool steady. Pork held firm; mess. \$13.50a\$13.75. Middles dull. Lard

3a5c. lower; contract grades, spot,

closing at \$7.25; March, \$7.22. Freights

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, March 12 .- Flour

steady, firm, and fairly active. Wheat—Southern steady and quiet; western higher and fairly active; south-

ern red, 85a88c.; amber, 93a96c.; No.

1 Maryland, 914a91 jc.; No. 2 west-

ern winter red. spot, 87 1287 tc. Corn— Southern firm and quiet; western high-er and quiet; southern white, 51252c.;

yellow, 49a504c. Oats very strong; southern, 36a39c.; western white,

38a39c.; western mixed, 36a37c.; Penn-

Whiskey steady at \$1.20a\$1.21. Other

LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, March 12.-Grain firm

and higher. Wheat-No. 2 red, 88c. Corr.-No. 2 white, 48c. Oats-No. 2

Corr.—No. 2 white, 48c. Oats—No. 2 mixed, 35 gc. Provisions steady. Pork—Mess. \$13. Bulk-meats—Shoulders, \$4.75; clear ribs, \$6.50; sides, \$6.75. Bacon—Shoulders, \$5.37 gc. clear rib, \$7; sides, \$7.37 gc. Sugar-cured hams, 10 gallo. Lard—Prime leaf, \$8.50.

CINCINNATI.

articles unchanged. Freights quiet.

sylvania, 36a37c. Provisie

for Sicily .- Journal of Commerce.

at \$18.25a\$18.50,-Journal of Com-

picked, 34c. per pound; other grades, 3a34c. per pound. Receipts, 10.265 bags; sales, 1.500 bags. Receipts since October 1st, 259,887 bags.

Norfolk, Va., March 12.—Cotton dull; midding, 10 c. Net receipts, 358 bales; gross receipts, 358 bales; stock, 16,461 bales; sales, 270 bales.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 12 .-Cotton quiet; middling, 10 13-16c. Net receipts, 34 bales; gross receipts, MARCH 10 .- The market is very change. Sale of 2,000 tons Bes-

ton unsettled; middling, 104c. Net receipts, 99 bales; gross receipts, 99 bales; sales, bales; stock, 22,857 AUGUSTA. GA., March 12 .- Cotton dull; middling, 10 c. Receipts, bales; shipments, ---;

39 bales. CHARLESTON, S. C., March 12 .-Cotton duli; middling, luic. Net receipts, 423 bales; gross receipts, 423 bales; sales, bales; stock,

16,373 bales. NEW YORK COTTON PUTURES. MARCH 10 .- Sumac quoted at NEW YORK, March 12 .- Cotton-Net receipts, 575 bales; gross receipts, 1.835 bales. Futures closed barely steady: sales, 163,200 bales; March. \$11.12a\$11.14: April, \$11.09a\$11.10; May, \$11.20a\$11.21; June, \$11.31 July, \$11.38a\$11.39; August, \$11.45a \$11.46; September, \$11.07a\$11.08; October, \$10.61a\$10.62; November

and December, \$10.45a\$10.46.

Brief Foreign Court The villa on the island of Elba, which was occupied by Napoleon after his abdication in 1814, was recently purchased by the Jesuits, who intend to convert it into a college. An American while in Mexico recently went out to Coyacan, the village in which Cortez lived while the prese

Rio, spot, 87. Sugar dull, weak, and city of Mexico was in the hands of the nominal; fair to good refining, 4;a4;c.; builders, and asked a native to show him "La Casa de Cortez." come here lately? Is he an American? queried the degenerate descendant, who, when the place of Cortez in Mexican history was explained to him, had shame enough to laugh heartily along with his American questioner. There died recently at a place in Perthshire, Scotland, a man in his

eighty-fourth year who left all his money—about \$130,000—to build and endow a Wesleyan chapel, and two curious facts in the case are that the testator was all his life connected with the Free Church of Scotland, and that, so far as is known, no members of the Wesleyan sect live in the place where the chapel is to be erected.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, MARCH 18, 1405 PORT OF RICHMOND, MARCH 12, 1669.